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**LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR BAUER AWARDS MAJOR GRANT
TO LEXINGTON COUNTY RECREATION AND AGING COMMISSION**

(Columbia) - South Carolina Lieutenant Governor Andre Bauer has awarded a \$350,000 grant to the Lexington County Recreation and Aging Commission for the purpose of constructing a new senior center in the Batesburg-Leesville area.

“The care and genuine concern I have seen firsthand within the aging network point to exciting possibilities for the future,” Bauer said. “As we join together in partnership with the business community, we will maximize our public resources while continuing to enhance the quality of life for our seniors.”

The former Bureau of Senior Services officially became the Lieutenant Governor’s Office on Aging on July 1, 2004. The move provides visible accountability for the office and strengthens the cause of seniors in South Carolina by placing a statewide elected official at the top of this \$27 million agency.

More grants and other initiatives are forthcoming as the office continues to come out from under the Department of Health and Human Services. Added Mr. Bauer, “This office is here strictly to serve seniors, promote their causes and answer their concerns. We look forward to working with local groups to continue improving the lives of South Carolina’s seniors.”

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